

Planning - Red Mountain Parking (FINAL)

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A. Statement of Planning Objectives

The planning objective of this project is to provide staging and parking on road 8S10 from Highway 168 for access to the Red Lake OHV area.

B. Relation of Proposed Project to OHV Recreation

This project relates directly to OHV recreation by being on the Red Lake trail system. This project will enhance recreational opportunities by providing parking for vehicles that are unable to drive into Sand Flats. Sand Flats is the trailhead where Public can access West Lake, Mirror Lake, Strawberry Lake, Red Lake and Coyote Lake. Opportunities for fishing, hiking and camping are available from this trailhead.

C. Statement of Activities

Activities include preliminary planning with an assessment from Resource Specialists and basic designs from Engineering. Specialists will need to visit the proposed project site for at least one day of data research. Two to four days of data processing will be required to accomplish needed planning.

D. List of Reports

Reports needing an environmental analysis will be completed per NEPA requirements.

Additional Documentation

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1. Timeline for Completion

Attachments:

[CompletionTimeline](#)

2. Optional Project-Specific Application Documents

3. Optional Project-specific Maps

Attachments:

[Red Mtn. Map](#)
[Forest Map](#)

Project Cost Estimate

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APPLICANT NAME :	USFS - Sierra National Forest						
PROJECT TITLE :	Planning - Red Mountain Parking (FINAL)				PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	G09-02-17-P05	
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration						
PROJECT DESCRIPTION :	The planning objective of this project is to provide staging and parking on road 8S10 from Highway 168 for access to the Red Lake OHV area.						

	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
DIRECT EXPENSES							
Program Expenses							
1	Staff						
	Management and Admin Staff	5.000	346.980	DAY	0.00	1,735.00	1,735.00
	Other-OHV Manager	20.000	226.950	DAY	3,404.00	1,135.00	4,539.00
	Other-Asst. OHV Manager	10.000	198.180	DAY	1,487.00	495.00	1,982.00
	Other-Road Engineer	5.000	300.000	DAY	1,125.00	375.00	1,500.00
	Other-Hydrologist	5.000	322.110	DAY	1,208.00	403.00	1,611.00
	Other-Wildlife Biologist	5.000	344.000	DAY	1,290.00	430.00	1,720.00
	Other-Aquatics Specialist	5.000	326.570	DAY	1,225.00	408.00	1,633.00
	Other-Botanist	5.000	325.960	DAY	1,223.00	407.00	1,630.00
	Other-Archeologist	5.000	291.660	DAY	1,094.00	364.00	1,458.00
	Other-Volunteers	100.000	20.000	HRS	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Total for Staff				12,056.00	7,752.00	19,808.00

Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010
 Agency: USFS - Sierra National Forest
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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
2	Contracts						
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Other-Volunteer Subsistence	30.000	30.000	DAY	600.00	300.00	900.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Other-Vehicle Maintenance	2.000	539.000	MOS	765.00	313.00	1,078.00
5	Equipment Purchases						
6	Others						
7	Indirect Costs						
	Indirect Costs-Indirect Costs Notes : Forest overhead costs are currently 8%	1.000	1050.000	EA	600.00	450.00	1,050.00
Total Program Expenses					14,021.00	8,815.00	22,836.00
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES					14,021.00	8,815.00	22,836.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES					14,021.00	8,815.00	22,836.00

Project Cost Summary for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010
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3/1/2010

	Line Item	Grant Request	Match	Total	Narrative
DIRECT EXPENSES					
Program Expenses					
1	Staff	12,056.00	7,752.00	19,808.00	This planning project involves several field visits with specialists to complete initial NEPA. Volunteers will help with transportation and be included in the planning process. There will be several days required of the OHV manager to coordinate between Volunteer groups and Forest Service Staff. Forest Service Road Engineers will be involved in drawing plans for project site. Many Four Wheel Drive Clubs are stakeholders in this OHV area and will dedicate time to this project.
2	Contracts	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3	Materials / Supplies	600.00	300.00	900.00	This project will require up to 5 overnight trips to this project location. The subsistence cost will cover volunteer support in project completion.
4	Equipment Use Expenses	765.00	313.00	1,078.00	
5	Equipment Purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00	
6	Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7	Indirect Costs	600.00	450.00	1,050.00	
Total Program Expenses		14,021.00	8,815.00	22,836.00	
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES		14,021.00	8,815.00	22,836.00	
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Environmental Review Data Sheet (ERDS)

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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. Does the proposed Project include a request for funding for CEQA and/or NEPA document preparation prior to implementing the remaining Project Deliverables (i.e., is it a two-phased Project pursuant to Section 4970.06.1(b)) (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

ITEM 3 - Project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378

- c. ITEM 3 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- d. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No
- e. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 4 – 10
The project is limited to planning activities, and will not result in direct or indirect change to the physical environment.

ITEM 4 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 5 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 6 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 7 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 8 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 9 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

Discuss the potential for the proposed Project to have any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources.

ITEM 10 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment

Planning Project Criteria

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1. Project Cost Estimate - Q 1. (Auto populates from Cost Estimate)

1. As calculated on the Project Cost Estimate, the percentage of the Project costs covered by the Applicant is 3

(Note: This field will auto-populate once the Cost Estimate and Evaluation Criteria are Validated.) (Please select one from list)

☐ 76% or more (10 points)

☐ 51% - 75% (5 points)

☒ 26% - 50% (3 points)

☐ 25% (Match minimum) (No points)

2. Planning Project - Q 2.

A Planning Project - Page 1

2. The Planning Project would address the following 3

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

☐ Potential effects of OHV Recreation on special-status species habitats

☐ Potential effects of OHV Recreation on cultural resources

☒ Potential effects of OHV Recreation on soil conditions

☒ Potential effects of OHV Recreation on water quality

☒ Potential effects of OHV Recreation on other recreation uses

☐ Potential effects of OHV Recreation on adjacent lands.

☐ Potential impact to relationships between OHV Recreation and local residents

☐ Toxic or hazardous materials within a Project Area or adjacent property that may impact OHV Recreation

☒ Trail issues such as traffic patterns, trails closures, appropriate uses, etc.

B. Planning Project - Page 2

Explain each statement that was checked

A parking area at this location will provide parking for trailers with OHV equipment. Traditionally People hauling OHV equipment have parked at the nearby corral which hinders stock users parking.

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ 6 or more items checked (4 points)

☒ 4 to 5 items checked (3 points)

☐ 2 to 3 items checked (2 points)

☐ 1 or no items checked (No points)

3. Motorized Access - Q 3.

3. The Project would lead to improved facilities that provide motorized access to the following nonmotorized recreation opportunities 6

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 points each, up to a maximum of 6 points (Please select applicable values)

☒ Camping

☒ Birding

☒ Hiking

☒ Equestrian trails

☒ Fishing

☐ Rock Climbing

☐ Other (Specify)

4. Public Input - Q 4.

4. The Project proposal was developed with public input employing the following 2

(Check all that apply) Scoring: Maximum of 2 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Publicly noticed meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project (1 point)
☒ Conference call(s) with interested parties (1 point)
☒ Meeting(s) with stakeholders (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

Quarterly meetings are held with Adopt-A-Trail representatives and discussions on existing and future projects take place. Adopt-A-Trail representatives are called to address needs from the Forest Service and Volunteers. A meeting will be held on March 16th with the general public to get input on the preliminary grant proposal.

5. Stakeholder Input - Q 5.

5. If the Project were approved, the planning process would incorporate substantial stakeholder input: 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ No (No points) ☐ Yes (5 points)

If 'Yes', explain, specifically, how it would be 'substantial'. Identify stakeholders

6. Utilization of Partnerships - Q 6.

6. The Project will utilize partnerships to successfully accomplish the Project. The number of partner organizations that will participate in the Project are 2

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 4 or more (4 points) ☒ 2 to 3 (2 points)
☐ 1 (1 point) ☐ None (No points)

List partner organization(s)

Adopt-A-Trail 4x4 clubs and other Forest Service Volunteers will help with transportation to project site and physical labor required. The Four Wheel Drive Club of Fresno, 4X4 HIM and Lock N Low are clubs that are directly involved with this project.

7. Sustain OHV Opportunity - Q 7.

7. The Planning Project sustains OHV Opportunity in the following manner 3

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☐ Project will develop management plans for existing OHV Opportunity (4 points)
☐ Project will complete environmental review for an OHV Development Project (3 points)
☒ Project supports development of OHV Opportunities adjacent to population centers (3 points)
☐ Project supports development of OHV Opportunities in areas that lack legal OHV Opportunity (2 points)
☐ Project will develop a system of designated OHV routes for an existing OHV Opportunity (2 points)

Explain each statement that was checked

Completion of this project will provide better access to the Red Mountain OHV area by offering parking. This will create opportunity for the local Fresno County community. This area provides some of the best beginning to moderate level OHV use on the Sierra National Forest.

8. Identification of Funding Sources - Q 8.

8. Funds for implementing the completed plan have been identified 5

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ No (No points)

☒ Yes (5 points)

Explain 'Yes' response

Historically, funding sources associated with designated travel routes has been a combination of Forest Service appropriated dollars and State funding, such as OHMVR funds. In recent years, appropriated dollars have been minimal. Trail route maintenance is accomplished with a combination of efforts, including work provided by volunteers, appropriated Federal funding, and State funding through grant agreements. Costs associated with implementing changes to road use, will be paid for primarily through Federal appropriated dollars.

Reference Document

Sierra NF 2010 Lands, Recreation, Heritage, Partnerships, and Wilderness Annual Business Plan

9. Offsite Impacts - Q 9.

9. The Planning Project would address offsite impacts relative to the Project Area (e.g., sound, fugitive dust, runoff): 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☒ No (No points)

☐ Yes (5 points)

Explain 'Yes' response